

your people. Don't vote according to the way the polls have shown 70 percent of the people are in favor of this. You vote with this newspaper. You vote with the other newspapers that have given away millions of dollars in advertising for this bill. I wonder if the newspapers file any kind of an accountability report. I wonder if they are registered as lobbyists...

SPEAKER NICHOL: One minute.

SENATOR HIGGINS: ...because the editorials and the free advertising they have given for this bill is worth millions. This is what it comes down to, Senators. Not one newspaper in this state cares whether you are reelected or not. They don't care if you vote against the people that sent you here to represent them. They only want their piece of the pie, protect their turf, their race horses. Now when you vote we better think about who sent us here. We were elected. No newspaper in this state has ever been elected a State Senator. Those yo-yos haven't been even appointed except by themselves. So remember when you think of this veiled threat on how to vote on this bill, your people are going to decide whether or not you are coming back here if that is the issue. Only your people don't have a newspaper to tell you. If you are a good Senator you know yours and they know you and you follow the polls on television and you've polled your district and you know what your district wants and you know what is right. We don't take away grown men and women's privilege or God given right it should be, to decide what they want to do for entertainment.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Time is up.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Thank you, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Chambers is next but, Senator Chambers, if I may introduce a couple of guests. Senator Rod Johnson has his grandparents, Ivan and June Johnson, in the north balcony together with friends of theirs, Lorraine and Lillian Aspegren. Would you please stand and be welcomed by your Legislature. I'm sorry, they are in the south balcony. Also Senator Lundy and Senator Kahle have